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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Hirokazu SUGIHARA et al.

Serial No.: 09/688,077

Filing Date: October 13, 2000

For: CELL POTENTIAL MEASUREMENT
APPARATUS HAVING A PLURALITY
OF MICROELECTRODES

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Group Art Unit: 1744

**PETITION TO WITHDRAW NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A
NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Petition is in response to the Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application dated November 27, 2000 for which a response is due by January 27, 2001.

Applicants submit that the requested page 8 of the specification (description and claims) does not exist. Applicants filed a copy of U.S. Patent Number 5,563,067 in its entirety, which consisted of a cover page (including abstract), 7 pages of the written description and claims, and 12 pages of drawings, a total of 20 pages, on October 13, 2000. A copy of the Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application (Part 2) and copies of the Utility Patent Application

Transmittal, U.S. Patent Number 5,563,067, reissue Declaration, Preliminary Amendment, and return postcard as filed on October 13, 2000 is enclosed for your records.

Applicants submit that a copy of the aforementioned application was originally filed in its entirety and therefore we kindly request that the Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application be withdrawn.

Applicants believe a fee is not due. However, in the unlikely event a fee is due, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the petition fee of \$130.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing Docket No. 369212000131.

Respectfully submitted,

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